



SAN FRANCISCO  
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY  
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES

March 20, 2019  
Noe Valley Conference Room, #7075  
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor

REGULAR MEETING  
3:30 P.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS  
Neil Ballard, Chair  
Daniel Murphy  
Susan Vaughan

COUNCIL LIAISON  
Roberta Boomer

COUNCIL SECRETARY  
Keka Robinson-Luqman

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Ballard called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call

FAC members present at Roll Call: Neil Ballard  
FAC members absent at Roll Call: Daniel Murphy  
FAC members absent: Sue Vaughan (with notification)  
CAC members present: Aaron Leifer and Frank Zepeda

FAC Chair Neil Ballard appointed CAC member Frank Zepeda a pro-tem member of the committee in order to make quorum.

### 3. Announcement of prohibition of sound producing devices during the meeting

CAC Secretary Robinson-Luqman made the announcement.

### 4. Approval of Minutes:

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of March 7, 2018:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard and Frank Zepeda  
ABSENT – Daniel Murphy and Sue Vaughan

### 5. Report of the Chair (For discussion only)

No report.

### 6. Public Comment:

No public comment.

## REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding LRV4 Procurement. (Monique Webster, Manager, Regional Government Affairs. Explanatory documents include a cost benefit analysis handout and slide presentation.)

Council member Daniel Murphy arrived at 3:38 p.m.

Staff discussed the background, the cost, and the budget and funding of the Light Rail Vehicle Procurement Phase 2.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bob Planthold stated that the current trolleys and hybrids have a rough seat finish that keeps people from sliding. The LRV4 seats should have a rough finish as well. There are no blue and white car cards that tell people to give up their seats. Tourists who don't read English don't know to give up their seats. The curved sliding door or the metal pole should be moved so that people trying to board through the front doors in a can navigate it.

Edward Mason inquired if the SFMTA did a midlife overhaul on the Breda cars. He also asked what the capacity is of the Siemens cars. He wondered if any of the transportation sustainability fees are being used to pay for the expansion or is it just out of Muni revenue bonds. Growth is not funding growth. He stated that the LRV4s need more blue seats. There is no stop sign sticker on the LRV4 trains that warns automobiles not to pass when passengers are disembarking.

Evy Posamentier stated that the signage should be more prominent for international people. There should be more blue seats. Crowding in the doorway is something that should be addressed. Rushing through to a May decision is heart breaking. The SFMTA should be doing things thoughtfully.

Robin Krop stated that she was injured last summer riding on the new trains and can no longer ride them. She did an informal survey of Muni riders and a tremendous number of people want forward facing seats because it's better for their backs. Able bodied people were fine with standing.

Motion 190320.01

The SFMTA CAC recommends that the SFMTA implement the accelerated replacement schedule of LRV4 vehicles pending optimal resolution of seating configuration regardless of the potential for delay.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard and Daniel Murphy  
ABSENT – Sue Vaughan

8. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the SFMTA's Contracting Policy. (Roberta Boomer, Secretary, SFMTA Board of Directors. No explanatory documents.)

Roberta Boomer, Secretary, SFMTA Board of Directors stated that the contracting delegation policy, whereby there are contracts up to a certain dollar amount, has been delegated to the Director of Transportation (DOT). Currently it is \$500,000. The SFMTA is looking at increasing the DOT delegation from \$500,000 to \$1 million.

Costs have increased and the impact of not being able to move quickly with contracts causes delays. The SFMTA is looking to revise the policy to reflect higher costs. The last time the

policy was changed was in 2010. The proposed policy does not impact any of The City's contracting laws and doesn't change contract compliance work.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Evy Posamentier said she would like to see it be an easy process.

Motion 190320.02

The SFMTA CAC recommends that the SFMTA adopt the revised contract delegation policy as presented to the FAC.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard and Daniel Murphy  
ABSENT – Sue Vaughan

9. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding Public Outreach & Engagement Team Strategy (POETS). (Deanna Desedas, Manager, Public Outreach & Engagement. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

This item was removed from the agenda at the request of staff.

10. Committee member requests for information. (For discussion only)

Neil Ballard asked what happens with Free Muni once the Clipper Card pilot program ends in June of 2019.

ADJOURN- The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Submitted by:



Keka Robinson-Luqman  
SFMTA CAC – Secretary

Next regular meeting: To Be Determined